

The National Endowment for the Arts is the only funder, public or private, that supports the arts in all 50 states in the United States.

IN THE PAST 5 YEARS...

The National Endowment for the Arts distributed more than **\$6,442,400** in grants in **Tennessee**.



Blue Star Museums. Photo by Debra Huskin

In one year alone...

- Arts and cultural production in Tennessee added **4.1% or \$14.2 billion** to the state's economy.
- Tennessee's arts and cultural industries employed **91,090** workers. These workers earned wages and benefits totaling over **\$6 billion**.
- **48.1%** of Tennessee's adults attended live music, theater, or dance performances, while **15.1%** attended art exhibits.



National Endowment for the Arts Programs from FY17-FY19

Blue Star Museums program provided free admission to thousands of active military personnel and their families at **121 participating museums** in Tennessee.



Poetry Out Loud program provided opportunities for over **8,809 students** attending **87 high schools** in Tennessee to appreciate—through study, memorization, and public recitation—great poetry.



The **NEA Big Read** program generated **153** community events focused on reading outstanding American literature and involving more than **10,800** adults and students in Tennessee.



Shakespeare in American Communities program in Tennessee enabled schools to offer children the opportunity to see free live professional performances of Shakespeare.



Creative Forces program is expanding access to creative arts therapies and arts engagement opportunities for injured service members, veterans, and their families and caregivers.

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Projects Funded by the Arts Endowment either Directly or Through its State Arts Agency Partnership Funds Occurred in These and Other Locations

TN-01

*Doak Elementary School
Heritage Hall Theatre
Old Oak Festival*

TN-02

*Blue Grass Elementary
School
Dogwood Arts Festival
Johnson University*

TN-03

*Appalachian Arts Craft Center
Bessie Smith Cultural
Center
Etowah Area Senior Center*

TN-04

*Castle Heights Elementary
Main Street: Murfreesboro
Riverdale High School*

TN-05

*Arts at the Airport
Nashville Ballet
Tennessee State University*

TN-06

*Algood Senior Center
Sumner Teen Center
Sumner County Museum*

TN-07

*Hickman County Public
Library
O'More College of Design
Sunset Elementary School*

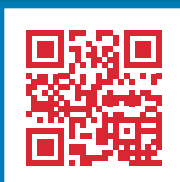
TN-08

*Germantown Festival
Huntingdon High School
Lane College*

TN-09

*Brooks Museum of Art
Carpenter Art Garden
Double Tree Elementary
School*

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